Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2207–2212, and S. Res. 354.

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Measures Reported:

S. 1778, to authorize certain activities of the Maritime Administration, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 110–200)

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Measures Passed:

Clean Water Act Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Res. 354, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the 35th anniversary of the enactment of the Clean Water Act.

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Laurence C. and Grace M. Jones Post Office Building: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3233, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at Highway 49 South in Piney Woods, Mississippi, as the "Laurence C. and Grace M. Jones Post Office Building", and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. Page S13167

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be discharged from further consideration of S. 2131, Senate companion measure to H.R. 3233 (listed above), and be placed on the calendar.

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Measures Considered:

Labor/HHS/Education Appropriations Act: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 3043, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

Harkin (for Feingold/Collins) Amendment No. 3353, to provide funding for the ADAM Act.

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Thune Amendment No. 3333 (to Amendment No. 3325), to provide additional funding for the telehealth activities of the Health Resources and Services Administration.

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Harkin (for Feingold) Amendment No. 3354 (to Amendment No. 3325), to provide for a Government Accountability Office report concerning State health care reform initiatives.

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Harkin (for Collins) Modified Amendment No. 3374 (to Amendment No. 3325), to increase funding for dental workforce programs. Page \$13147

Coburn Amendment No. 3399 (to Amendment No. 3325), to eliminate wasteful spending by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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Withdrawn:

Cornyn Amendment No. 3381 (to Amendment No. 3325), to provide for the continuing review of unauthorized Federal programs and agencies and to establish a bipartisan commission for the purpose of improving oversight and eliminating wasteful Government spending.

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Pending:

Harkin/Specter Amendment No. 3325, in the nature of a substitute. Page \$13139

Vitter Amendment No. 3328 (to Amendment No. 3325), to provide a limitation on funds with respect to preventing the importation by individuals of prescription drugs from Canada.

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Dorgan Amendment No. 3335 (to Amendment No. 3325), to increase funding for the State Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Program of the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention. Page S13139

Dorgan Amendment No. 3345 (to Amendment No. 3325), to require that the Secretary of Labor report to Congress regarding jobs lost and created as a result of the North American Free Trade Agreement.

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Menendez Amendment No. 3347 (to Amendment No. 3325), to provide funding for the activities under the Patient Navigator Outreach and Chronic Disease Prevention Act of 2005.

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Ensign Amendment No. 3342 (to Amendment No. 3325), to prohibit the use of funds to administer Society Security benefit payments under a totalization agreement with Mexico.

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Ensign Amendment No. 3352 (to Amendment No. 3325), to prohibit the use of funds to process claims based on illegal work for purposes of receiving Social Security benefits. Page S13139

Lautenberg/Snowe Amendment No. 3350 (to Amendment No. 3325), to prohibit the use of funds to provide abstinence education that includes information that is medically inaccurate.

Roberts Amendment No. 3365 (to Amendment No. 3325), to fund the small business child care grant program. Page S13139

Reed Amendment No. 3360 (to Amendment No. 3325), to provide funding for the trauma and emergency medical services programs administered through the Health Resources and Services Administration. Page S13139

Allard Amendment No. 3369 (to Amendment No. 3325), to reduce the total amount appropriated to any program that is rated ineffective by the Office of Management and Budget through the Program Assessment Rating Tool (PART). Page S13139

Coburn Amendment No. 3358 (to Amendment No. 3325), to require Congress to provide health care for all children in the U.S. before funding special interest pork projects. Pages S13139-41

Brown/Webb Amendment No. 3361 (to Amendment No. 3325), to provide information to schools relating to the prevention of violent events and other crisis situations. Pages S13144-46

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the bill at approximately 3:00 p.m., on Monday, October 22, Pages S13167-68

Treaty Approved: The following treaty having passed through its various parliamentary stages, up to and including the presentation of the resolution of ratification, upon division, two-thirds of the Senators present having voted in the affirmative, the resolution of ratification was agreed to:

Protocol to Treaty of Friendship, Commerce, and Navigation with Denmark (Treaty Doc. 108–8).

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Measures Placed on the Calendar:

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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Amendments Submitted: Pages S13159-66

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 2:02 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, October 22, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$13167.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, October 22, 2007.

Committee Meetings No committee meetings were held.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD Week of October 22 through October 27, 2007

Senate Chamber

On Monday, October 22, 2007, at 3 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 3043, Labor/HHS/ Education Appropriations Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: October 24, Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment, to hold hearings to examine international accounting standards, focusing on opportunities, challenges, and global coverage issues, 2 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: October 23, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety and Security, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Surface Transportation Board and regulation related to railroads, 10 a.m., SR-253.

October 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Todd J. Zinser, of Virginia, to